maximum radial reach of the respective wedge inserts.

10. A radial ply runflat tire having a tread, a carcass structure comprising a metal reinforced first carcass ply, a second carcass ply, two inextensible annular beads and an inner liner, a belt structure located between the tread and the carcass structure, and two sidewall regions each being reinforced by a wedge insert, the tire characterized by:

a woven fabric layer circumferentially disposed axially inward of the metal reinforced first carcass ply;

said layer having both radially inwardmost and radially outwardmost portions disposed within the respective sidewall regions.

11. The tire of claim 10 characterized in that the circumferentially disposed woven fabric layer in the respective sidewall regions have radial width of between 20 percent and 80 percent of the maximum radial reach of the respective wedge inserts.

12. The tire of claim 10 characterized in that woven threads of the fabric cross each other at an angle of between 20 and 50 degrees with respect to the cords of the first carcass ply. - -

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to delete the numbers identifying elements, which were originally incorporated to comply with PCT practice. A separate copy of the claims as amended is included for the Examiner's convenience.

Favorable examination and consideration are respectfully requested.

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